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## **JUDICIAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES**

### **ADVISORY COMMITTEES ON THE FEDERAL RULES OF APPELLATE, BANKRUPTCY, AND CIVIL PROCEDURE, AND THE FEDERAL RULES OF EVIDENCE**

#### **HEARINGS ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE APPELLATE, BANKRUPTCY, CIVIL, AND EVIDENCE RULES**

**AGENCY:** Judicial Conference of the United States  
Advisory Committees on the Federal Rules of Appellate,  
Bankruptcy, and Civil Procedure, and the Federal Rules of  
Evidence

**ACTION:** Notice of Proposed Amendments and Open Hearings

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**SUMMARY:** The Advisory Committees on Appellate, Bankruptcy, Civil, and Evidence Rules have proposed amendments to the following rules:

Appellate Rules: 35, 40

Bankruptcy Rules: 2002, 2004, 8012

Civil Rule: 30

Evidence Rule: 404

The text of the proposed rules and the accompanying committee notes are posted on the Judiciary's website at:

<http://www.uscourts.gov/rules-policies/proposed-amendments-published-public-comment>.

All written comments and suggestions with respect to the proposed amendments may be submitted on or after the opening of the period for public comment on August 15, 2018, but no later than February 15, 2019. Written comments must be submitted electronically, following the instructions provided on the website. All comments submitted will be posted on the website and available to the public.

Public hearings are scheduled on the proposed amendments as follows:

- Appellate Rules in Washington, DC, on October 26, 2018, and in Phoenix, Arizona, on January 4, 2019;
- Bankruptcy Rules in Washington, DC, on January 10, 2019, and in Kansas City, Missouri, on January 26, 2019;
- Civil Rules in Phoenix, Arizona, on January 4, 2019, and in Washington, DC, on February 8, 2019; and
- Evidence Rules in Phoenix, Arizona, on January 4, 2019, and in Washington, DC, on January 18, 2019.

Those wishing to testify must contact the Secretary of the Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure by email at: [RulesCommittee\\_Secretary@ao.uscourts.gov](mailto:RulesCommittee_Secretary@ao.uscourts.gov), at least 30 days before the hearing.

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